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Docket No. 03500.014996

Examiner: E. Wong

Group Art Unit: 1741

KINYA KATO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/741,332

Filed: December 21, 2000

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PURIFYING POLLUTED SOIL, AND APPARATUS FOR **EMITTING CHLORINE-CONTAINING GAS AND**

APPARATUS FOR

DECOMPOSING POLLUTED GAS USING THE SAME

Date: August 12, 2002

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED | | | | | | |
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| X | A check in the amount of \$36.00 is enclosed. |
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| X | Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06 1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. |
| | A check in the amount of \$ to cover the fee for a month extension is enclosed. |
| | A check in the amount of \$ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed. |
| X | Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below. |
| | Respectfully submitted, |
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please amend claims 54 and 55 as follows. A marked-up copy of the claims

is attached.